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Applicant: GREGORY H. AMES ET AL
Serial No. 09/983,048
Filed: 15 October 2001
For: FIBER OPTIC CURVATURE SENSOR FOR
TOWED HYDROPHONE ARRAYS

Sir:

There is submitted herewith an amendment in the above-identified application, which, if entered, adds additional claims(s) not previously paid for, as follows:

1. Total number of claims remaining in the application after this amendment is entered in excess of 20 and in excess of the number of claims for which a fee was previously paid, times \$18.00.....\$ 0
2. Total number of independent claims remaining in the application after this amendment is entered in excess of the number of claims for which a fee was previously paid, times \$84.00.....\$ 0

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To the Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Letter mailed 15 April 2003,
 amend the above-captioned patent applications as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 1, 15, 21 and 24 - 34 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A system for detecting curvature in a towed hydrophone array, said system comprising:

at least two curvature sensors positioned along the length of the towed hydrophone array;

each of said curvature sensors comprising a bend member which bends as the array bends, at least one optical fiber within the bend member, and at least one

I hereby certify that this paper is being FAXSIMILE transmitted to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents on the date shown below.

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